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Edwards to visit Monday

Gov. Edwin Edwards will visit LSUS Monday to officially dedicate the new Administration Building.

"This is something we have been wanting to do for some time and we are very pleased that the governor can come up for this ceremony," said Fabia Thomas, vice-chancellor. "It's a very important occasion for this campus."

The ceremony will begin at 11 a.m. near the west entrance of the building.

Chancellor E. Grady Bogue will preside over the event and Allen A. Copping, president of the LSU system, will also be present.

In addition, the Captain Shreve High School band, under the direction of Bill Causey, will perform during the dedication.

There will be no formal dismissal of classes during the time of the ceremony, Thomas added.

Edwards, who is seeking his fourth term as governor, last visited LSUS during a televised gubernatorial debate last month.



photo by Kris Purdy

ROTC students from Captain Shreve High School march along the campus mall during Bicentennial of the Constitution festivities last week.

State candidates address students

Although student audience turnout was low and several of their opponents failed to show up, that didn't stop several candidates running for the Louisiana House and Senate from speaking in the UC Lobby last Tuesday in a forum sponsored by the LSUS Government and Law Society.

The purpose of the forum was to help students in their efforts to make an "informed choice" on election day, a spokeswoman for the society said.

First to speak were District 36 incumbent Sen. Foster Campbell and his challenger, William Lott. Both candidates offered various solutions to the financial and educational problems that Louisiana residents currently face.

Campbell said there are three ways to improve higher education in the state: lower teacher-pupil classroom ratios, end the spending on construction of buildings on campuses and use that money for classrooms, and reduce the number of supervising agencies.

Lott believes that politicians shouldn't make the actual education policies, but that they should continue to push for continued

funding.

"You're not going to improve higher education in Louisiana with 100 or so politicians presenting their pet bills on education," said Lott.

Ivan Edwards, also a District 36 candidate, was not present at the forum.

Candidates for the District 38 seat, currently held by Sen. Richard Neeson, who also failed to show up for the event, took to the podium next.

"We need a senator who will be pro-active and turn this state around," said Bill Bush, a Shreveport city councilman.

Candidate Ron Bean expressed similar sentiments and added that he is against the further raising of taxes to fund education in Louisiana.

The last District 38 candidate, Ted Roberts, said legislators should have a two-term limit, and that there are too many "deadheads" currently in office.

Candidates for House District 5 and 6 spoke next, echoing similar themes of change and reform.

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Question of the week

Do you believe that Senator Joseph Biden should continue to campaign for the presidency despite his recent stint of "inaccuracies?"

Hank Arrington, senior, biology: "It was Rembrandt who said 'bad artists copy and good artists steal'. Whether or not he was stealing or copying is up to the person that votes for him. But I think that either he or his speech writers need to quit stealing ideas and think of their own. He has no original ideas, and those are what this country needs."

Bob Wynn, senior, history: "Joe Biden has already lost any hopes of making a serious bid for the presidency. In light of the Hart controversy and

now the Biden controversy, I think that the Republicans ought to try to delay the election and see what other Democratic presidential hopefuls commit political suicide."

George P. Bonner, professor of physics: "He's a politician. I think he'll be booted out, but show me an honest politician. He just got caught in one little thing, just a few little lies. Look at Nixon and the rest; they all tell lies. They are on a merry-go-round and don't know when to jump off."

(Editor's note: Senator Joseph R. Biden announced his withdrawal from the race for president on Wednesday, Sept. 23.)

Poor economy contributing factor to higher enrollment at LSUS

By BENNETT RACHAL
The Almagest

Enrollment figures at LSUS for the fall semester are higher than originally anticipated, according to the registrar's office. The official figures for the 1987 fall semester are 5 percent higher than last fall.

Vice-Chancellor Fabia Thomas said the local economic climate is probably an underlying factor for the increased number of students attending school, not only here, but at other colleges as well.

Thomas said a number of unemployed people probably decided now was a good time to go to school. She also said the

sluggish economy is affecting high school graduates. "More young people are choosing to stay at home and go to school rather than facing higher expenses somewhere else," she said.

LSUS has 618 incoming freshmen this fall — a 23 percent increase. Rhonda Smith, a marketing student, a first semester freshman, said, "I picked LSUS because of its high credentials and the opportunity to go to school and live at home at the same time," she said.

Smith appears typical. According to the registrar's office, the College of Business is the most popular with 1,349 students. The College of Liberal Arts is second

with 1,067 students, then The College of Education with 1,063 and the College of Sciences with 880.

The fall population at LSUS is composed of 1,322 freshmen, 757 sophomores, 714 juniors, 776 seniors and 436 graduate students. In addition, 91 students are pursuing a second baccalaureate degree and 263 are non-degree seeking.

The new students represent an estimated \$60,000 of additional income to LSUS, Thomas said. The extra income is a welcome break that has provided Chancellor Grady Bogue with "more breathing room," she added. She said Bogue plans to use the money for "upgrading computer services in the academic area."

opinions

Edwards not to blame

"For 80 months we had a strong economy. People had jobs, they could meet the payments on their house, cars and refrigerators. Then suddenly came this downturn. With this came rumors, then stories and reports of wrongdoing in public office, allegations of underworld influence on public servants and the people began to feel that 'somebody is getting a better shake than I am . . .'" Congressman Edwin Edwards, candidate for governor, Jan. 1, 1971.

Bashing Gov. Edwin Edwards is popular. Why not? He has a 65 percent negative rating, the highest of any governor in the South. So it is easy to blame the governor for the many problems that the state is facing.

Edwards, however, does not deserve everything for which he is being blamed.

In 1972, Edwin Edwards was inaugurated as a reform governor. And reform he did during his first two administrations.

The state's constitution was re-written.

LSUS was made into a four-year university.

The Louisiana Superdome was placed under private management.

And the budget deficit left to Edwards by his predecessor was turned into a budget surplus that was squandered by Republican Gov. Dave Treen.

Many of the problems now facing the state stem from Treen and the national Republican administration.

We admit that Edwards is not the most ethical candidate in the governor's race this year. But he is not the anti-Christ either.

The governor defines our state in many ways. He is praised when things are going well and damned when they aren't. But the beauty of our system is that it does not need to be that way. The power of government is separated. The Legislature is as much to blame for our state's problems as the governor.

During the next month we urge students to actively seek out the positions of local candidates for the State Legislature. These are the people that will be making the decisions that will directly affect every citizen in our state.

The tuition at LSUS has increased at least three times in the last four years. The budgets for state universities have received across-the-board cuts and employment prospects are bleak. These decisions are made by the representatives and senators that we elect.

Election day is less than one month away. Serious consideration needs to be given to all of the candidates. Concerned voters — a label that should apply to every student — should look beyond the stereotypes when voting.

We have come not to praise Edwards. But we have not come to bury him, either. We have simply come to encourage a fair and accurate portrayal of each of the candidates — gubernatorial and otherwise.

Roemer's promises fulfilled

By DONALD GARRETT
The Almagest

Louisiana voters go to the polls in one month to elect a governor — a man who must have the courage to part with the ways of the past and provide the forceful, insightful leadership that will lead Louisiana out its current economic, social and educational depression.

Huey Long has been dead for more than 50 years, but his political legacy continues to haunt Louisiana. Long's political machine, and the system of patronage that has been its lifeblood, has held Louisiana in its grip for too many years. It's time for a change and Buddy Roemer is the man who can bring about that change.

Our current governor is asking us to give him four more years to take care of Louisiana's problems. But really Mr. Edwards, where have you been during the last four years? Has it not been your administration and your leadership that have created these problems?

Gov. Edwards is not the man to lead our state for the next four years. That task must fall to a man dedicated to change and reform in state government and not to a man who is paying back those who have helped him become elected.

Congressman Roemer is the man for the job. He has that rare combination of youth and experience that will enable him to move mountains if that's what it takes to put Louisiana back on top.

Roemer is not as well-known nor does he have the statewide political base that his opponents have as the governor's race enters its final stages. But unlike his opponents, Roemer has no ties to special-interest groups and owes no political favors for huge contributions to his campaign.

When the 4th District Congressman entered the race he ensured that his campaign would not be cast in the shadow of political patronage by promising not to form a political action committee, accept no loans and accept no campaign contributions greater than \$5,000.

On Wednesday Roemer filed his campaign finance report with the state — the report revealed no loans, no money accepted from political action committees and not a single contribution greater than \$5,000. In fact the vast amount of money received by Roemer's campaign, which has taken off in the last month as he climbed in the polls, has come in the form of contributions of less than \$1,000.

Once more, Buddy Roemer has kept his promise to the

people.

If elected, Roemer has promised the people that he will work hard to fulfill the state's biggest needs. Providing better education for our children, the creation of new jobs and the securing of new industries are his main priorities, along with straightening out the state's economy through the proper use of Louisiana's vast natural resources.

Roemer will no longer tie the state's fortunes to the coat-tails of the oil and gas industry and other special-interest groups, if elected. This he has solemnly promised the people.

Other gubernatorial candidates have made promises similar to Roemer's, but only Buddy Roemer has a proven track record for keeping the vast majority of the political promises he makes. Roemer's promises are not hollow like the promises of his opponents and the ones so many other Louisiana politicians have given the people of this state for over half a century.

A vote for Roemer on Oct. 24 will be a vote for honesty, integrity and hard work — the characteristics possessed by the one man best qualified to lead the state of Louisiana down the road to recovery and economic prosperity. Roemer is the man who can restore pride in Louisiana for all Louisianians.

Letters

The *Almagest* reserves the right to edit all letters for length.

Letters should be typewritten and double-spaced.

Obscenities and libelous materials will be omitted. All letters must include the writer's name and phone number. Anonymity can be considered in some cases.

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Schlesinger lectures on idealism and reform

By JACK WILLIAMS
The Almagest

The 1990s will be a time for idealism and reform, said Arthur M. Schlesinger, Jr.

"In general, Reaganism has run its course," he said at a press conference before his speech at the LSUS University Center Theater on Sept. 18.

Schlesinger predicted that the 1990s will bring a renewed surge of idealism and commitment to social justice, much like the 1930s and the 1960s.

"We've essentially had a policy of cutting taxes for the rich and cutting social spending for the middle class and poor," he said at the press conference at the Cambridge Club.

"Our foreign policy is incoherent and over-militarized," he added.

He thinks the recently announced arms treaty is the "best thing the Reagan administration has done." It will succeed, he said, because it meets the domestic requirements of both Reagan and Gorbachev.

Schlesinger said that Gorbachev, whom he sees as a genuine reformer, recognizes that the Soviet Union needs to be reformed and modernized economically. But its resources are being drained by military spending.

Schlesinger later addressed almost 560 people in the LSUS UC Theater on the question, "Will an 18th Century Constitution Suffice in the 21st Century?"

"We Americans are prepared to do almost anything for our sacred document — except read it," Schlesinger said.

He cited a poll that indicated that a large percentage of Americans did not know whether the Constitution included certain well-known phrases, such as "... all men are created equal ..." and "... from each according to his ability, to each according to his need." The first quote is from the Declaration of Independence and the second is from Karl Marx.

But the American Constitution survives, despite ignorance about its contents and frequent debates about the meaning of its contents, he said.

The Constitution's longevity is a tribute to the "practical, visionary" men who drafted it, including James Madison and Alexander Hamilton, Schlesinger said.

The concept of original intent — espoused by Attorney General Edwin Meese and others — is a hoax on the American public, Schlesinger said. He also pointed out that Madison and Hamilton — both of whom were intimately involved in drafting the Con-

stitution — often heatedly disagreed over the meaning of the document.

Schlesinger's speech was interrupted by applause when he described several laws that he felt had been violated by the Iran-Contra scandal.

After his speech, Schlesinger answered several questions from the audience on a variety of topics:

- On Judge Robert Bork, nominee to the Supreme Court: "I assure you that Judge Bork is not a renowned Constitutional scholar. He is a clever, eccentric man who has a limited view of the personal freedoms in the Constitution."

- On his favorite U.S. president: "... Lincoln, because he so nobly faced the worst crises."

- On the criticism that the Constitution and Congress have hampered presidents: "On the whole, they have succeeded where they have deserved to succeed."

- On his recent proposal for an international task force to place Haiti in a trusteeship: "I don't think that we want Haiti to end up as the Kitty Genovese of nations." (Genovese was murdered near her home while none of her neighbors would help.)



photo by Kris Purdy

Craig Karges entertains LSUS students with tricks of illusion.

Illusionist tricks LSUS students

By MATT FRAZIER
The Almagest

A stranger came to LSUS Thursday, Sept. 17. He was different; a man with gifts beyond the ordinary, who could peer into the darkest recesses of the human mind.

The unsuspecting crowd in the UC Theater cheered as Craig Karges stepped onto the stage. Little did they know that before the night was over this young, clean-cut, friendly guy would go beyond the ordinary and into the realm of the supernatural.

"I am not a psychic; I am an entertainer," Karges said before he began his act. But his performance left the audience wondering if perhaps he did have psychic abilities.

Karges began with a simple card trick and followed with the see-through-the-blindfold bit. Although both tricks were performed well, they were standbys and not impressive.

Then Karges said he would let the audience read his mind. He said he was going to see a two-digit-number over 50, and that both digits would be even and different numbers. After the audience threw out wild guesses, Karges revealed the number was 68.

The mathematical probabilities were such that one-eighth of the audience should have guessed the right number; however, about one-fourth guessed correctly. Maybe this guy has

ESP after all. Or maybe some of the audience lied.

Next, Karges brought three people on to the stage and, seemingly, read their minds perfectly. He even guessed a number that one of the three had entered on a calculator. Karge wrote his guess on a clean, closed slate. Even more impressively, Karges never touched the chalk that recorded his guess — the chalk wrote the number all by itself.

Karges knocked over a block of wood without touching it, made a table fly through the air and linked three mens' rings together.

When Mike Smith, president of the Student Activities Board handed Karges his check, one member of the audience was told to put it in one of three envelopes and to put plain paper in the other two. Volunteers shuffled and numbered the envelopes.

Karges then called out, "Envelope number two," and the envelope was carried to safety. The other two envelopes were burned. When the remaining envelope was opened, Karges' check was inside.

Although 125 people attended, Smith said he was disappointed that there wasn't a larger turnout.

Karges' fee was \$750. Smith said that it was great entertainment for the price. Sophomore Chris Carr thought that the show was "impressive, entertaining and amazing."

Martin named Chem chairman



Dr. Ronald Martin

Dr. Ronald Martin, an LSUS faculty member for 15 years, is the new chairman of the chemistry department, replacing Dr. Joseph Goerner who has resumed full-time teaching.

"It's a good department and I don't plan any drastic changes," Martin said. "I just want to further the cause of chemical education."

The biggest problem facing Martin is the obsolescence of equipment, he said. "Several years ago the equipment was

state-of-the-art, but now most needs rebuilding or replacement," Martin said.

For the last five years the department has lost \$10,000 from state funding, but he hopes to receive federal or private grants to supplement the budget.

"I am pleased to report that for the first time in three years the department has a full-time secretary," said Martin, whose special interests lie in the field of environmental chemistry.

Computer workshop scheduled

A Customer Information Control System workshop will be held at LSUS on two Saturdays in October and two in November.

The course is designed to teach the writing of on-line application programs using command level coding for CICS. Program, terminal and file control as well as mapping techniques and concepts will be discussed. It will include lectures and machine exer-

cise labs.

Those taking the course should be familiar with COBOL, assembler or PL1, according to instructor Wesley Brown, LSUS system software manager. The course will use COBOL examples. However, a thorough knowledge of COBOL is not required, he said.

The workshop is primarily designed for analysts, program-

mers and those who are responsible for the design, programming, maintenance and installation of on-line systems.

The class will meet from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Oct. 24 and 31 and Nov. 7 and 14 at LSUS.

Course fee of \$180 is payable by check to LSUS through the Office of Conferences and Institutes. Pre-registration forms may be obtained by calling 797-5262.

news briefs

SOC to meet

Attention all LSUS organization presidents: there is a very important organizational council meeting today at 12:10 p.m. in the Webster Room of the University Center.

All interested parties are invited to come and be a part of the many changes taking place in the Student Organizational Council, under the direction of new president, Doris Anne Wart.

The president or a representative of each organization should attend all meetings in order to discuss the new S.O.C. goals for the Fall 1987 semester.

This Fall's meetings will be Oct. 2 at 12:10, Oct. 15 at 10:30, Oct. 30 at 12:10, Nov. 12 at 10:30, and Dec. 4 at 12:10.

The following rule applies to all organizations: after two meetings are missed per semester, cubicle space will be taken away and the offending organization will be suspended from the council.

Alumni honored

Second Lieutenant Russell G. Carriker, a 1985 graduate of LSUS, was recently honored as the top graduate of his class at the United States Air Force Officer Training School located at Lackland Air Force Base, Texas.

Carriker was honored for first-rate performance, leadership and character while in training. He will now assume responsibilities of an Air Force air traffic control officer.

Rhodes

The Rhodes Scholarship Trust is inviting eligible students to participate in the 1987 competition for the Rhodes Scholarships. To obtain brochures, application forms, and other pertinent materials contact Dr. Glen S. Bollman in BH 237 or at 797-5296.

FDA program

A U.S. Food and Drug Administration program for people who are thinking about or are currently manufacturing or packaging food products will be held from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. Sept. 28.

The program will be held in BE 104.

Elaine R. Crosby, a Small Business representative for the FDA, will discuss the agency, procedures, and regulations for

manufacturing and packaging food, and will conduct an extensive question-and-answer period.

Workshop fee is \$5. To register call the Small Business Development Center at 797-5144.

Other sponsors of the program are the LSUS Division of Continuing Education and College of Business as well as the Louisiana Department of Commerce and the U.S. Small Business Administration.

Saint's feast

St. Jude Catholic Church will have their annual Feast Day on Oct. 4, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Included on the day's agenda will be games, a raffle and a spaghetti dinner. Prices are \$3.50 for adults, \$1.25 for children 12-and-under and \$2 for senior citizens.

History social

History and political science majors who would like to get to know each other and exchange ideas can meet Oct. 1 in BH461 for a get-acquainted social.

Dr. Ann McLaurin, chairman of the history and political science department, said, "The socials are also an effort to get to know the students and faculty members alike."

The socials will meet twice a year. Interested students should contact McLaurin in BH 439.

Computer Club

There is a computer club that meets on the third Thursday of each month. For more information contact Reza Sanati Mehrizy at 797-5189. His office hours are 10-12 and 5-6 on Monday and Wednesday and 3-5 on Tuesday and Thursday. If he is not available, contact Professor Sharp or the College of Business at 797-5383.

Crafts seminar

A free Monday evening seminar dealing with the business side of the crafts business is being offered by the Stoner Arts Center and the LSUS Small Business Development Center.

"Bookkeeping for the Artistic Entrepreneur" is set for Oct. 19 at the 516 Stoner Ave. center. It will be held from 7 to 9 p.m.

The bookkeeping seminar offers a hands-on experience with a

bookkeeping system that records income and expenses in one book. It will deal with identifying trends that occur in craft sales and with methods of keeping business and personal expenses separate.

The workshop leader will be Susan Beal, a counselor for the LSUS Small Business Development Center.

Sponsors, in addition to the SBOC and Art Center, are the Louisiana Crafts Program, the Divisions of Arts, Department of Culture, Recreation and Tourism, the LSUS College of Business Administration, the

Louisiana Department of Commerce and the U.S. Small Business Administration.

For further information contact Kim Urband at 797-5188 or Kitty Kavanaugh at 222-1780.

Delta Sigs

The Zeta Delta Chapter of Delta Sigma Phi Fraternity wishes to announce it newly elected officers for the 1987-88 semester: Tony Juarez, president; Alan Webb, vice-president; Mike Kirby, secretary; Tony Cureington, treasurer; and Darrell Riley, sergeant-at-arms.

Democrats to meet

Young Democrats will hold an organizational meeting Thursday, Oct. 1 in BH 465 at 10:30 a.m.

All registered Democrats are encouraged to attend. Officers will be elected and plans for the semester will be discussed.

For more information contact Elizabeth Spence at 797-5862, Jack Williams at 687-0672 or Dr. William Pederson at 797-5349.



You should have seen J.T. run. Even with the physical limitations he had to overcome, there was a special grace to his stride. But it was his face that captivated the observer. Such undaunted determination, such unbridled spirit was gripping, inspiring.

J.T. didn't win first place. Not even second. Fact is, he just avoided being last by about two steps. His victory was from within; through sheer will and effort, he transcended the disadvantages that fate and nature had imposed on him. He was every inch a winner.

The Louisiana Investor-Owned Electric Companies enthusiastically support the Special Olympics program. The courage shown by the competitors in overcoming personal adversities serves as a model for us all in today's difficult economic times. These plucky athletes convincingly demonstrate how to draw on other strengths when one facility is diminished.

The LIOEC applauds the contenders, the staff, and the volunteers of the Louisiana Special Olympics for setting an example of triumph against the odds.

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Campus lacks minority activities

By ERIC BANKS

The Almagest

While the black population at LSUS is increasing, so are the chances that historically black fraternal organizations might be established.

"As a university, we are concerned about the black student attending a predominantly white college, and the possibilities for a viable college experience," Collette Cheramie, director of student activities at LSUS, said.

Two black sororities, Delta Sigma Theta and Alpha Kappa Alpha, are being considered for the LSUS campus. A black fraternity here hasn't been ruled out, but because of a lack of positive response to questionnaires mailed by the Student Activities Office, the feasibility is being evaluated, Cheramie said, adding that students interested in starting an organization should contact her.

SugarRay Bullock, an LSU Med Center student and former Omega Psi Psi at Southern University in Baton Rouge, said that he believes there are many misconceptions for incoming LSUS freshman who haven't experienced what larger universities offer in terms of social organizations.

"If LSUS is to grow," he said, "it must offer more to blacks."

But Freshman Jill Pollard said that she doubted if more black organizations would improve the school. "There needs to be more interaction between blacks and whites," she said.

Reginal Samuel, a freshman, said that he has made both white and black friends since coming to

LSUS and that it is unimportant what race a fraternity emphasizes. "It doesn't matter if it's black or white, just so both participate," he said.

In the past, there have been distinct differences between historically black and white Greek organizations. "Historically black fraternities require that students meet rigorous grade-point qualifications," Cheramie said.

"If LSUS is to grow, it must offer more to blacks."

Traditionally, black fraternities and sororities have required that students maintain at least a 2.5 GPA as opposed to the 2.0 GPA required by historically white Greek organizations.

Also, the white fraternities rush their applicants in a social atmosphere, while rushees for black fraternities must apply, be interviewed and screened, Cheramie said.

And, black Greek organizations require rushees to have completed 12 hours of college credit before being considered for membership. Conversely, historically white fraternities rush incoming freshmen.

The upcoming spring semester will be the earliest that one of the two sororities might be activated. Three LSUS staff members - Mary Bowman, librarian, Zenobia Hikes, coordinator of student relations, and

Dr. Rosetta Reed, professor of management and marketing - are involved in establishing the Delta Sigma Theta sorority on campus. At least 15 girls with a 2.5 GPA and 12 semester hours credit each are needed, Cheramie said.

There is a club on campus that

is largely comprised of blacks - Moa Afrika.

Moa Afrika has historically appealed to blacks, but membership is open to all races.

Delores Reed, president of the LSUS chapter, said that the organization was created to unite and educate students who share a

common interest in black culture. Each year, the organization, which meets bi-monthly in the Red River Room of the UC during the free hour, sponsors a seminar on student leadership. The next meeting will be held Thursday, Oct. 1. Annual dues are \$10.



photo by Andy Salvell

Jill Pollard studies while enjoying cool fall weather.

LSUS debate team set to start season

By LISA BOSE

Special-to-the-Almagest

The LSUS Debate Team is gearing up for another season of tournaments this fall, according to Joey Tabarlet, team sponsor.

The season begins on Oct. 2 and 3 at Oklahoma College in Oklahoma City.

The debate topic is the same for the entire season. This topic is "Continuing U.S. covert involvement in Central America would be undesirable."

Tabarlet said the team would be particularly strong because of its make-up. Two team members, Jeff Johnson and Denis O'Leary, went to the National Championship Tourna-

ment last year.

Another member is proving that age holds no boundaries on what a person can do. C.B. Cooper has been retired for nine years after a 23-year career as controller and office manager at Rubensteins. Having no previous oratorical experience, Cooper sees this as an opportunity to grow both as a speaker and a thinker. When asked of the predicted reaction of his opponents, Cooper replied, "It depends. They might see me as a good target."

Any undergraduate may join the team provided that he has no more than three years of experience in debate.

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features

Time problems trouble couple

By DONALD GARRETT
The Almagest

Many LSUS students face the dilemma of working, going to school and trying to raise a family. For Bob and Betsy Harris, it is a double dilemma, as both of them try to complete degrees while working and raising a son.

Harris is the Unit Director of the Bossier Boys Club and his wife is the Arts and Crafts Director. Harris is taking 16 hours this semester and his wife is taking 15.

"In order to get everything done, we literally do not get as much sleep as would be healthy," Harris said.

"In fact we schedule the same classes sometimes, so we can see each other," Betsy said with a laugh.

The Harris' have a three-year-old son, Robby, who also demands and receives his share of the couple's time. With their busy schedules, how do the Harris' find time for normal family activities?

"When I am studying and my son crawls up in my lap, well I know it's his time and I somehow make time for studying later. That's why I average five hours of sleep a night rather than the eight I would so enjoy," Harris said.

"We just make time to do simple things like playing with the dogs and he makes sure that we enjoy whatever time we do have. It's the quality time we cherish," Betsy stated.

Harris is a senior psychology major who hopes to graduate next spring and Betsy is a

general studies major, with a primary focus in the social sciences who also hopes to finish in the spring.

Betsy thinks getting a degree is worth all the sacrifices she has made.

"Although I am not certain what I am going to be using my degree for, I feel that my education makes me a better wife, a better mother and a better person."

Harris has more specific plans following graduation next year. He plans to go to graduate school in counseling psychology. LSU-BR, the University of Texas and University of Southern Mississippi are the leading choices.

"Assuming I am ever able to finish grad school — all the years of studying and sacrificing will have been worthwhile," Harris stated.

"I feel that my education makes me a better wife, better mother and a better person."

The Harris' advise other couples who want to earn degrees while trying to work and support a family "make sure that your relationship is secure before you enter into this kind of chaotic lifestyle. It would be best for young married couples to wait until after they graduate to start a family, but we've proven to ourselves that it can be done, although it can be rough at times."

Firenze Cafe food delicious and reasonable

By CAMILLE REAGAN
The Almagest

"Very Modern, Very Italian and Very Good" are the words on a poster that hangs inside the new Firenze Bakery & Cafe. They are the perfect words to describe the bakery & cafe, 6535 Line Ave., which was opened Aug. 17 by Nino and Enrico Giacalone.

The bakery is open from 7 a.m. to 5:30 p.m., Monday through Saturday. Breakfast and lunch specials are served daily. On staff are three full-time professional bakers, Ron Silva, Stacy Hamond and Laurie Maxey. Enrico Giacalone is a professional chef and uses many of his own recipes for the food that is served.

There is a continental breakfast (croissant, coffee, juice) served from 7 to 11 a.m. for only \$1.50. Also on the breakfast menu are honey rolls, almond croissants, ham-and-cheese puff pastries, cinnamon rolls, beignets and a variety of fruit danishes. All of the food is baked fresh every morning. Enrico claims that all of the pastries "have no calories." Fat chance.

Their lunch special is your choice of one of their sandwiches, soup-of-the-day and potato salad

for \$2.75. I had the opportunity to try one of their lunch specials which was delicious. My choice was the roast beef sandwich which was on fresh wheat bread; the soup-of-the-day was minestrone and the potato salad

can place orders for fresh bread daily.

Also there are tempting desserts which are displayed that nobody could resist. Their house cake is a three-layer sponge cake with a chocolate layer and a creamy white icing. Also on the dessert menu are fruit tarts, "heavenly hash" brownies, cakes and cookies; all of which look as though they are ready to be photographed for a cookbook.

Nino and Enrico plan on opening eight more Firenze Bakery & Cafe's by the end of 1990. Nino plans on opening the next one in Monroe by the middle of next year. According to him, all of the bakery & cafes will be uniform, "like this one."

After the Giacalone brothers finish opening all their bakery & cafes they plan on franchising them.

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was superb. Their lunch menu also consists of a shrimp-and-avocado sandwich and a ham-and-cheese sandwich. There is also a quiche-of-the-day, pasta salad, mushroom and cheese salad, chicken salad and the crabmeat salad when available. All of the lunches are under \$4.

Not only does the bakery and cafe serve breakfast and lunch, but it also is available for catering and call-in orders. Customers

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NFL strike not bad

By RODNEY MALLET
The Almagest

It's strike time again. The strike business that the NFL players pull every time their contracts expire is getting old. This season's strike will not be as bad.

In 1982, the last time the players walked out, the NFL did not have games on Sundays. Sunday is traditionally a day to lounge around and watch a couple of football games. This season there will still be some hitting going on and to most fans that is what the game is all about.

It will also be a chance to see some interesting plays, especially the first weekend of non-union players on the field. These guys aren't familiar with the playbook and they haven't been playing with each other as long as the guys who played in the first two games of the season. Until the new players get used to their team's game plan, the coaches are just going to have to turn these players loose and tell them to play ball; this could turn into bushels of fun for the viewers.

Something else that might be fun is to watch the emergence of a star. A perfect example is Sam Mills of the New Orleans Saints. Mills started out in Cleveland. When the Browns goofed and cut him, he went to the USFL. He played inside linebacker for Jim Mora and Philadelphia and made a name for himself as a hitter. When Mora was hired by the Saints he brought Mills in and he's now popping running backs in the big leagues.

These new players will be looking to make a name for themselves, so when the strike is over they will have permanent jobs.

Most of the players feel that if they strike the owners will lose money. The fact is that the players are going to lose more. The fans may not fill the stadiums to watch the new players, but there will be some dedicated football fans showing up.

They also have the revenue from the television contracts. As long as the NFL has football games the networks will telecast them, no matter who is on the field. Money from beer sales doesn't hurt the owners either, not to mention money from the other concessions.

It is bothersome to think that someone who makes an average of \$250,000 for working for six months a year has something to strike about.

Both players and owners realize that the NFL will lose fan support because of the strike. But some fans will enjoy watching players play ball regardless of what their names are.

These fans enjoy the sport and that is how it should be, a sport, not a bunch of greedy men making vast amounts of money and not contributing one bit to society.

It is a bummer that the players have to strike, but at least there will be something to bet on and watch on Sundays.



photo by Don Garrett

Scott Acallster (left) of the Cobras and KA's Terry Hawkins struggle for control of a pass during the Cobras victory Monday afternoon.

IM football round up

The first week of the intramural flag football league was a variety of close games and blowouts, and of course, the usual forfeit.

The teams that won the tournament showed that they are not flukes. Phi Van Halen won the tourney after punishing BSU 37-0. Terry Spier, a Kappa Sigma, and the Trojan Sheiks put the hurt on his frat brothers 40-0.

Other teams that looked im-

pressive were HPE and ROTC. HPE beat SOL 40-14 and ROTC stomped MBA 34-8.

The closest game of the week was between F.A.Y. and Just Us. F.A.Y. scored 8 points in the first half. Just Us came back to score 15 in the second half to win 15-8. Cobra beat HPE 34-21 and the Midnight Rockers beat Just Us 19-7.

The lone forfeit was by the Bruthas to KA.

In next week's edition, the Almagest will try to give summaries of each game. This may be done if the team captains will cooperate. The scorekeeper at each game should take the names of the people who have outstanding games. At the end of the game, the captain of the team should verify the names of the players. The team captain should then give the names to the Almagest, BH 344.

IM Schedule FIELD 1

Monday

4:00 — Just Us vs. BSU
5:00 — ZTA vs. Tri Delta

Tuesday

4:00 — Bruthas vs. Just Us
5:00 — Bruthas vs. Phi Van Halen
6:00 — Phi Mu vs. Tri Delta

Wednesday

4:00 — Bruthas vs. HPE

Thursday

4:00 — ROTC vs. HPE
5:00 — Silver Eagle vs. Cobra/ATS
6:00 Phi Mu vs. ZTA

Field 2

Monday

4:00 — KA vs. HPE

Tuesday

5:00 — SOLS vs. BSU
6:00 — FAY vs. Midnight

Wednesday

3:00 — SOLS vs. ROTC
4:00 — SOLS vs. KA

Thursday

4:00 — Phi Delt vs. Phi Van Halen
5:00 — Phi Van Halen vs. Kappa Sig
6:00 — Phi Delt vs. Trojan Sheiks



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news

Low turnout doesn't stop candidates

Sour, Barro discuss education

By ANDY SALVAIL
Editor

A poor student turnout in the UC lobby didn't discourage two political opponents from delivering their pitches.

Both Incumbent District 6 Rep. "Art" Sour Jr., a conservative Republican, and his opponent, Democrat Greg Barro, spoke Tuesday on the financial and educational problems of Louisiana and how they felt those problems can be solved.

Sour said that too many bills are introduced in the State Legislature, and that most bills never reach the governor's desk because "they are filed to reach some constituent."

"One-half of the state's budget goes toward education," he said. "So do we need to file any more bills to make education more plentiful in the money-field? No. We need bills filed to reform education. There's plenty of money (already) there."

Sour also stated that few government monies ever reach the classrooms, but that "it goes to government, it goes to administration — it goes to bureaucracy."

Sour pointed out that he has recently received strong opposition from Governor Edwin Edwards: "... I've been rewarded by the governor of this state with a threat and a vow to put me out

of office, along with several others. He's gonna have to do that, cause I'm not gonna walk out without a fight."

Sour said that one of Louisiana's main problems is populism.

"It (Louisiana) has been a popularistic state for 50 years," he said. "You get a group to elect the governors, then the patronage starts, then the popularistic program starts, and then the government expands, and we begin to spend beyond our means."

The way to save the state from further troubles, he said, is through a package of reforms aimed at reducing the size and cost of governments, so that "we will live within our means, within our revenue, and shrink the size of the bureaucracy to fit the revenues we have coming in."

The state government should make decisions based on needs rather than on political patronage, said Sour.

After Sour finished speaking, Barro, a lifelong Shreveport resident, addressed the topic of illiteracy.

"Too large a number of adults can't even read. You, as college students, may find that hard to believe, but the statistics are there, and they're staggering," Barro said, later adding that Louisiana leads the nation in

adult illiteracy rates.

Barro then expressed his discontent with the existing legislature, citing the lack of progress toward decreasing unemployment and increasing teachers' pay.

"The problems that now face Louisiana won't simply go away; we can't rely on other people to take care of them," said Barro, adding that Sour hasn't introduced one bill for education during his 16 years in office.

Barro, who has received endorsements from the Louisiana Association of Educators and the Caddo Association of Educators, said that he has kept in contact with leaders of other states which have overcome similar problems to the ones Louisiana now faces, and that their methods and programs seem "workable."

"We cannot approach these problems in a piecemeal manner, and we cannot apply a band-aid to a gunshot wound," Barro said. "They can only be cured by effective legislation that is introduced and passed."

Voters from District 6 include residents of South Highlands, Highland, Madison Park, Ingleside, Fairfield, Anderson Island, Shreve Island, Broadmoor, Stoner Hill, Dixie Gardens, West End, Allendale and Caddo Heights.



Rep. Art Sour

photo by Andy Salvail



Greg Barro

photo by Andy Salvail

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS FALL 1987

October 3	Children's Movie UC Theatre Sleeping Beauty 1:00 p.m. free admission
October 7-9*	FALL FIESTA (FALL FEST)
October 20**	"1964" as the Beatles in Concert!! Municipal Auditorium 7:00 p.m. \$5 — LSUS student \$7 — Non-LSUS student
October 30	Halloween Costume Contest UC 12:00 Disc Jockey in Mall Halloween Costume Dance UC — Louisiana Ballroom
October 31	Haunted House
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